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1.   This communication is responsive to <u>amendment after final</u>	al that was rece	ived 11/3/00.				
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2,4-8,11-16, which have been renumbered as 1-13.						
3. The drawings filed on are acceptable as formal draw						
I. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority und a 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).  a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:						
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.						
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(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsper	son's Patent Dr	rawing Review( PTO-9	948) attached			
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.						
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3 ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 4 ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No 5 ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449), Paper No 6 ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment						
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### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. This communication is in response to amendment after final that was received 11/03/00. Claims 17-19 were canceled.

## Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 1,2,4-8, 11-16 are allowed. Claims have been renumbered to 1-13.
- The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The present 3. application is directed towards an extensible and replaceable layered component arrangement residing on a computer coupled to a computer network. Independent claim 1 uniquely recites " a network component layer for developing network navigation components that provide services to the computer network, the network component layer includes application programming interfaces" and "a first class included in the application programming interfaces to construct a first network navigation object that represents different network resources available on the computer network, wherein the network layer coupled to the software component architecture layer in integrating relation to facilitate communication among the computing and network navigation components". Independent claim 6 uniquely recites a network component layer for developing network navigation configured to search and obtain information available on the computer networks, the network component layer includes application programming interfaces" and "means for constructing a network navigation component that represents different resources available on the computer network, , wherein the network



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layer is integrally coupled to the software architecture layered to ensure communication among the computing and network navigation components". The closest prior art, Applicants' admitted prior art & Potel, teaches a extensible layered (Taligent environment) arrangement. However, the prior art fails to teach or suggest the combination of above underlined limitations when the claim elements are interpreted in light of Applicants' specification. The prior art does not teach nor fairly teach the same or equivalent structure and function corresponding to the claimed "means for constructing a network navigation component" and "first class included in the application programming interfaces".

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Pat Caldwell whose telephone number is 703-305-3805. The examiner can normally be reached on FLEXTIME.

The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-308-9051 for regular communications and 703-308-9052 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-9600.

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